UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
Every
Clime & Place
MARINES

# Agenda

- Background
- Title 10 and USMC Vision
- USMC Objectives
- Core Competencies
- Organization & Locations
- Marine Air Ground Task Forces (MAGTFs) and other USMC Forces
- Seabasing and Forward Presence

# The Maritime Global Commons

- *75% of people live w/in 200mi of a coast*
- 70% of world is water
- 95% of international communications travels via underwater cables
- 23,000 ships are underway daily carrying 90% of the world's international commerce
- 49% of the world's oil travels through 6 major chokepoints
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***Navy-Marine Corps team in support of a Maritime Nation***

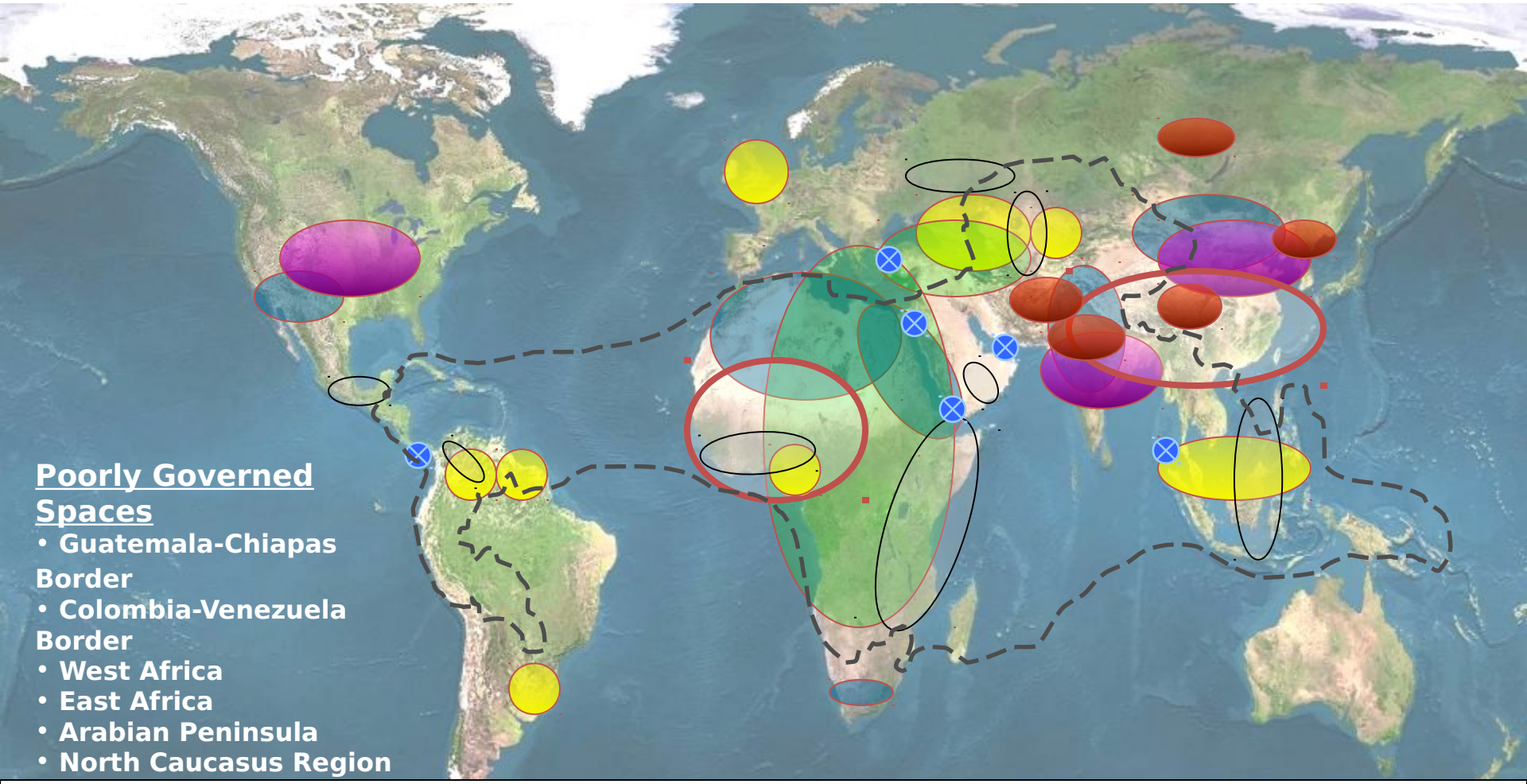
# Strategic Challenges

- **Multi-polar world**
  - Economic volatility
  - Energy dependency
  - Global Commons accessibility

- **Weakened states / Non-state actors**
  - Regional instability
  - Terrorism / piracy
  - WMD proliferation

- **Transnational threats**
  - Migration & Illegal immigration
  - Drug & human trafficking
  - Climate change
  - Increased competition for resources

# Sources of Instability, & Conflict



# Title 10 Responsibilities

The Marine Corps … shall be organized to include not less than **three combat divisions** and **three air wings**, and such other land combat, aviation, and other services as may be organic therein.

The Marine Corps shall be **organized, trained, and equipped to provide fleet marine forces of combined arms**, together with supporting air components, for service with the fleet in the seizure or defense of advanced naval bases and for the conduct of such land operations as may be essential to the prosecution of a naval campaign.

In addition, the Marine Corps shall **provide detachments** and organizations for service **on armed vessels of the Navy**, shall provide security detachments for the protection of naval property at naval stations and bases, and shall perform **such other duties as the President may direct**. However, these additional duties may not detract from or interfere with the operations for which the Marine Corps is primarily organized.

The Marine Corps **shall develop**, in coordination with the Army and the Air Force, those phases of **amphibious operations** that pertain to the tactics, technique, and equipment used by landing forces.

The Marine Corps is responsible, in accordance with integrated joint mobilization

# USMC Vision Statement

The Marine Corps of 2025 will fight and win our Nation's battles with **multicapable MAGTFs**, either from the sea or in sustained operations ashore.

Our unique role as the ***Nation's force in readiness***, along with our values, enduring ethos, and core competencies, will ensure we remain highly responsive to the needs of combatant commanders in an uncertain environment and against irregular threats.

Our future Corps will be **increasingly reliant on naval deployment, preventative in approach, leaner in equipment, versatile in capabilities, and innovative in mindset**.

In an evolving and complex world, ***we will excel as the Nation's expeditionary "force of choice."***

# Core Competencies

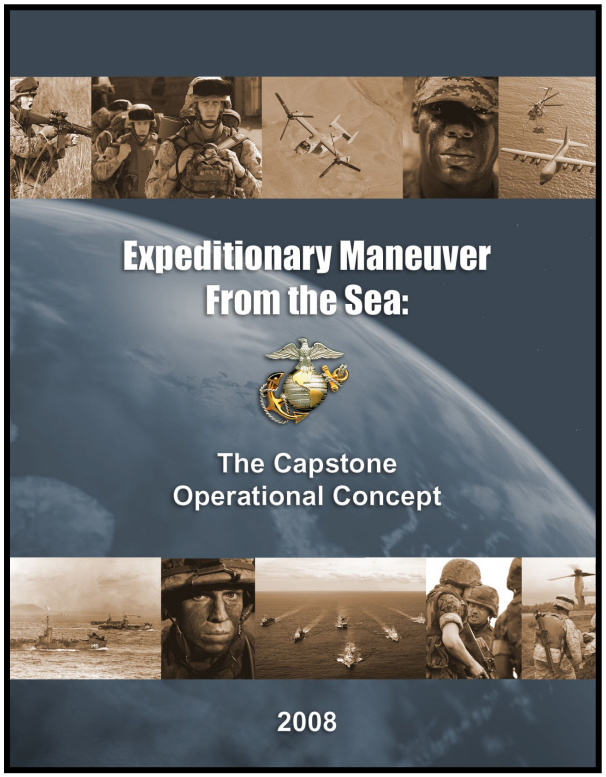
- The Corps conducts **persistent forward naval engagement** and is always prepared to respond as the **Nation's force in readiness**.
- The Corps employs **integrated combined arms** across the range of military operations, and can operate as part of a joint or multinational force.
- The Corps provides **forces and specialized detachments for service aboard naval ships**, on stations, and for operations ashore.
- The Corps conducts **joint forcible entry operations** from the sea and develops amphibious landing force capabilities and doctrine.
- The Corps conducts **complex expeditionary operations** in the urban littorals and other challenging environments.
- The Corps leads **joint / multinational operations and enables interagency activities**.

# Strategy Objectives for 2025

- Focus on the Individual Marine
- Improve Training and Education for Fog, Friction, and Uncertainty
- Expand Persistent Forward Presence and Engagement
- Posture for Hybrid Threats in Complex Environments
- Reinforce Naval Relationships
- Ensure Amphibious Force Levels Meet Strategic Requirements
- Create Joint Seabasing Capabilities
- Lead Joint/ Multinational Operations and Enable Interagency Activities
- Maintain A Ready and Sustainable Reserve
- Build and Deploy Multicapable MAGTFs

**Strengthening the MAGTF for employment across the spectrum of conflict**

# Capstone Operational Concept



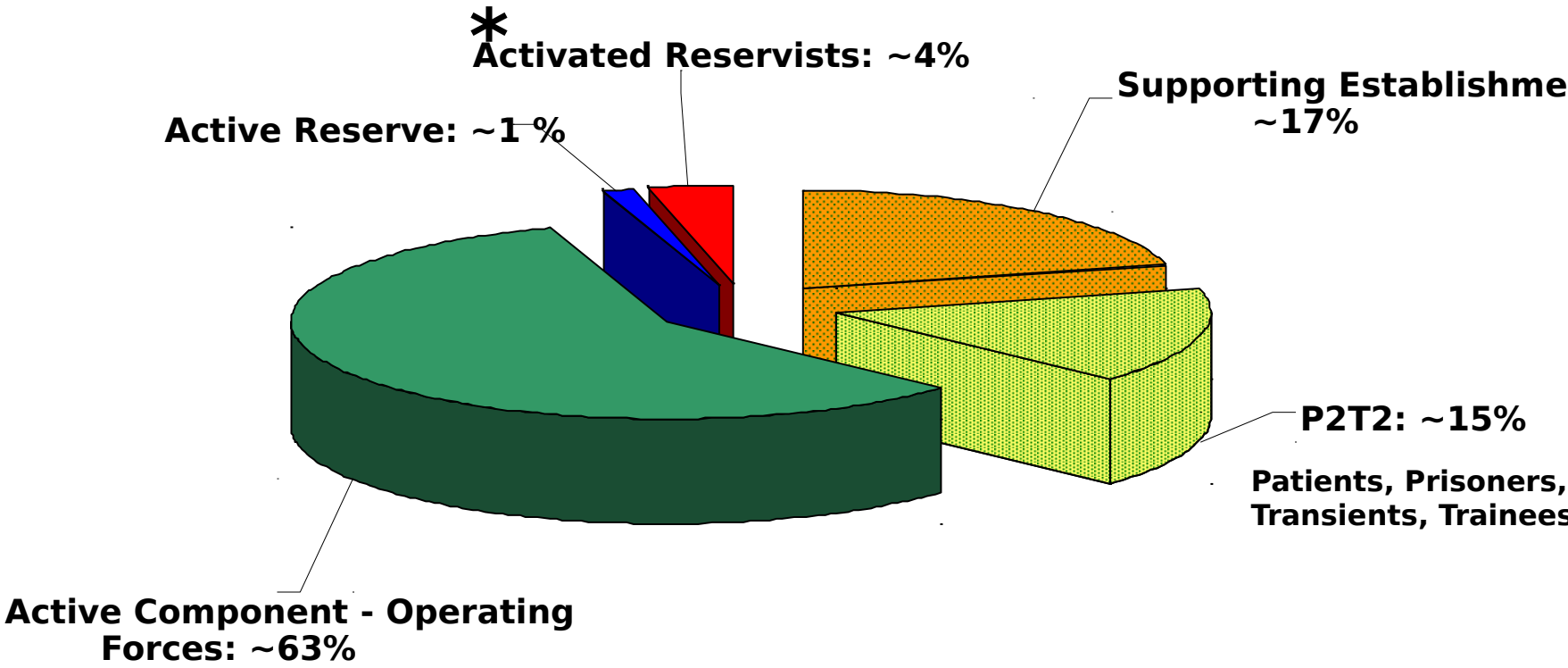

**…a bridge from the national strategy and overarching naval concept to service-specific operating concepts and envisioned capabilities**

- **Focused on:**
  - Expeditionary ethos:
    - Fast, Austere, Lethal
  - Defeating Hybrid threats and challenges
  - Enhancing the MAGTF's flexibility, agility, and adaptability for maneuver warfare
  - Enabling Marines to think faster – decide faster - act decisively
  - Increase the ability of the rifle company to conduct the full range of missions
- **Describes four operational imperatives necessary to win:**
  - Seabasing
  - Persistent forward presence and engagement
  - Agile and adaptable forces
  - Multicapable across the range of military ops

# Marine Corps Organization

- **Supporting Establishment**
  - Headquarters, Marine Corps (HQMC)
  - Recruiting, Educating, Training, Equipping
- **Operating Forces**
  - Service Component Commands
  - Marine Air Ground Task Forces (MAGTFs)
  - Chem / Bio Incident Response Force (CBIR
  - Marine Corps Security Force Regiment
  - Marine Embassy Security Command
  - HMX-1 Presidential Support Squadron
- **Marine Corps Forces Reserve**

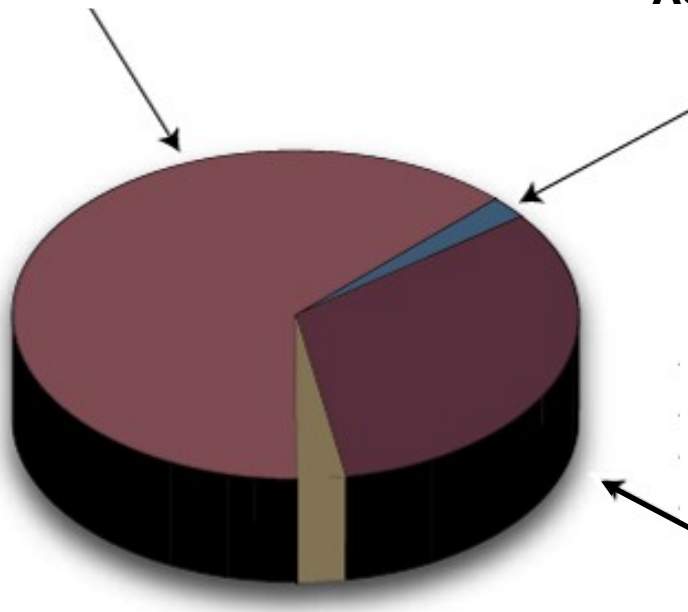
# USMC Forces By Category




**TOTAL MARINES ON ACTIVE DUTY: > 210,000***

*(Wartime Augmentation)

# Marine Forces Reserve



Individual Ready Marines (~55,000)

Active Reserve Marines (~2,100)

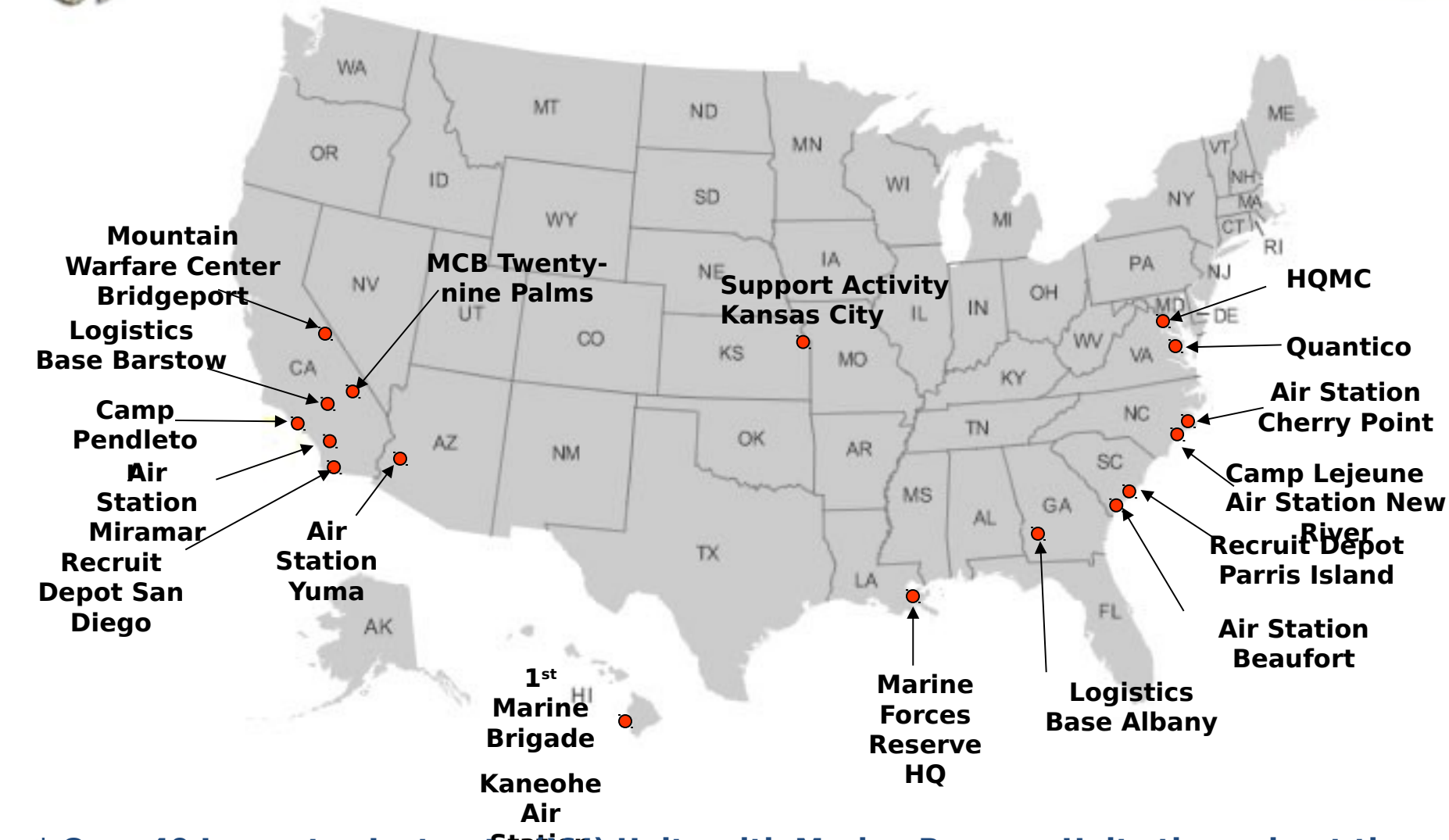
Selected Marine Corps Reserve (~30,000)

Individual Mobilization Augmentees (~2,900)

**The DoD force planning metric for Reserve Force mobilization is 1 year of mobilization with 5 years of demobilization before the next mobilization (1:5 mobilized-to-demobilized ratio).**

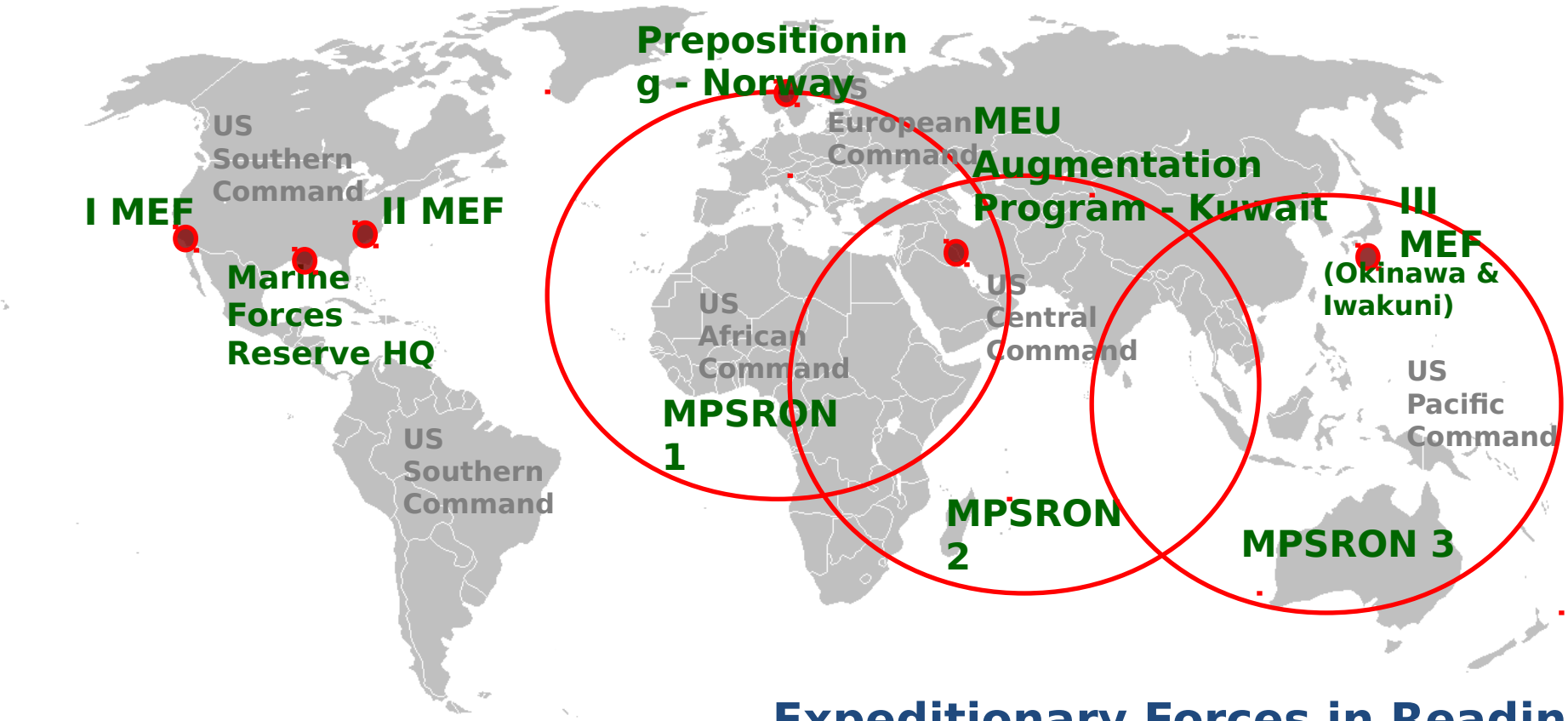
**The current USMCR reality is that this mobilization ratio is closer to 1:4 with the Marine Corps working to move towards the directed 1:5.**

# USMC Bases and Stations




* Over 40 Inspector-Instructor (I&I) Units with Marine Reserve Units throughout the coun

# Key OCONUS Locations




## Expeditionary Forces in Readiness

MEF : Marine Expeditionary Force

MPSRON: Maritime Prepositioning Squadron

# MAGTF Elements

## Task Organized to Mission

**Command Element (CE)**

**Aviation Combat Element (ACE)**

**Ground Combat Element (GCE)**

**Logistics Combat Element (LCE)**

# MAGTF Capabilities
## Across the Range of Mil Ops

**Security Cooperation SP MAGTF**

**Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU)**

**Marine Expeditionary Brigade (MEB)**

**Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF)**

***Theater Security Cooperation***

***Humanitarian Assistance Disaster Relief***

***NEOs***

***Counterinsurgency***

***Joint Forcible Entr***

**"Two - Fisted Fighter"**

**Partner and Prevent** — **Crisis Response ……Contingency Ops** — **Major Combat Operations**

**Integrated with Combatant Commander Theater Campaign Plans**

# Scalable MAGTFs

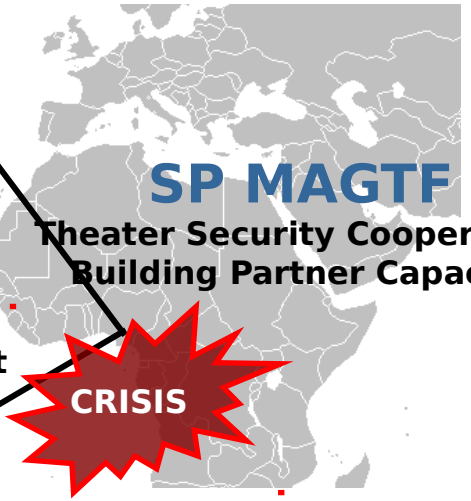
- **Forward presence and flexible MAGTFs enable the Corps to respond quickly to crises and then integrate additional capabilities and capacities as needed**

**MEF**
**Win the Nation's Battles**
**20-90 K**
**60 Days Sustainment**

**MEB**
**Respond to Crises**
**3-20 K**
**30 Days Sustainment**

**MEU(SOC)**
**Promote Peace**
**And Stability**
**1.5-3 K**
**15 Days Sustainment**

**SP MAGTF**
**Theater Security Cooperation**
**Building Partner Capacity**




- **The inherent C2, INTELLIGENCE, MANEUVER, FIRES, LOGISTIC, and FORCE PROTECTION of the Navy-Marine Corps team makes us the most flexible and cost-effective force-in-readiness for the Nation**

# Special Purpose MAGTF

- Specific crisis response mission
- Most focused and specifically tailored MAGTF
- Manning and sustainability as required by mission
- Examples:
  - SPMAGTF LA - Riot control in Los Angeles
  - SPMAGTF New Orleans – Katrina Disaster relief
  - SPMAGTF Lebanon – Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation (NEO)
  - SPMAGTF Africa Partnership Station – Security Cooperation

# Security Cooperation MAGTF

**A SP MAGTF task organized to meet specific CCDR requirements**

**KEY to increasing forward presence and engagement**

**SC MAGTF**

**Additional capabilities / attachments as required:**

- -Interagency Representatives
- - Navy Expeditionary Combat Command
- - U.S. Coast Guard
- - Allies
- - Info Operations / Civil Affairs
- - Veterinary capabilities
- - Band
- - Others as needed

**Task Organized Ground Combat Element**

**Task Organized Aviation Detachment**

**Task Organized Combat Logistics Element**

**Other Detachments**

# Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU)

- **Forward deployed, first choice for initial crisis response**
- **Task-organized units forward deployed aboard amphibious ships**
- **~ 2,200 Marines and Sailors**
- **15 days sustainability**

MEU CE

- Security Force Assistance
- Interagency Enabling
- Raids
- Non-Combatant Evacuations (NEO)
- Tactical Recovery of Aircraft & Personnel (TRAP)
- Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HA / DR)
- Bilateral Exercises

| Battalion Landing Team | Composite Aviation Squadron | Combat Logistics Battalion | Marine Special Ops Company |
|---|---|---|---|
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# Marine Expeditionary Units (MEU)

## (7 MEUs: sourced from NC, CA, OKI)

PRE-DEPLOYED

DEPLOYED

POST-DEPLOYED

United States Marine Corps

# Marine Expeditionary Brigade (MEB)

- **Lead element for MEF**
- **30 days sustainability**
- **MEF deploys to the fight as MEBs**
- **Commanded by MajGen / BGen**
- **14,000 - 18,000 Marines and Sailors**

MEB CE

- **Counterinsurgency**
- **Forcible Entry**
- **Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HA / DR)**
- **Amphibious or MPF**

Regimental Landing Team

Marine Air Group

Combat Logistics Regt

# Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF)

- **MEF = principal warfighting organization**
- **60 days sustainability**
- **Commanded by LtGen**
- **40,000-90,000 Marines and Sailors**

- **Major Combat Operations (MC**
- **Counterinsurgency**
- **Forcible Entry**

**MEF CE** ★★★

**Infantry Division** ★★

**Marine Air Wing** ★★

**Marine Logistics Grp** ★

# Marine Special Operations Command (MARSOC)

- **Table of Organization (T/O):**
  - **MSO Battalions**
  - **MSO Advisor Group**
  - **MSO Support Group**
  - **MSO School**

- **Mission:**
  - **Direct Support to MEUs**
  - **Direct Action**
  - **Special Reconnaissance**
  - **Foreign Internal Defense**
  - **Counterterrorism**
  - **Information Operations**
  - **Unconventional Warfare**

# Other Marine Forces & Support

- **Alert Contingency MAGTF (ACM)**
- **Maritime Prepositioning Force (MPF)**
- **Marine Corps Prepositioning Program – Norway**
- **MEU Augmentation Program – (MAP)**

# Alert Contingency MAGTF (ACM)

- **Missions**
  - Humanitarian assistance / disaster re
  - Limited objective operations
  - Limited crisis response operations
- **Characteristics**
  - Air deployable
  - Light force
  - Resident within each MEF
  - Able to respond within 18 hours
- **Can be used as:**
  - Fly-in-echelon for MPF
  - Reinforce SP MAGTF
  - Reinforce MEU or amphibious force
  - Lead element for a MEF

# Maritime Prepositioning Force (MPF)

- Three maritime prepositioning squadrons (MPSRON)
  - Each squadron equips a MEB-sized MAGTF
- Rapid deployment and assembly
- Tailorable to support Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief
- Includes Mech and Armor
- 30 days of sustainment

MPSRON 1
MED

MPSRON 2
DIEGO
GARCIA

MPSRON 3
GUAM

# Maritime Prepositioning Force (Future) : Speed and Versatility

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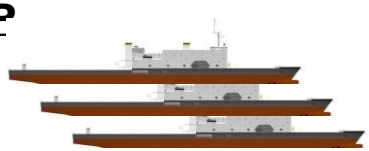
MLP



LHD

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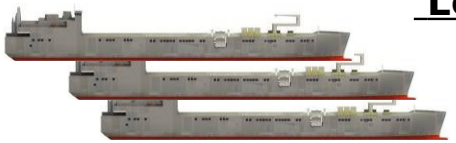


Legacy T-AK

**Support Multiple Combatant Commander Security Cooperation Events**

**and …Reinforce Joint Forcible Entry Operatios**

**As MULTIPLE Operating Groups**

**OR**

**As ONE Squadron**

- **JTF Enabler**
- **At Sea Arrival & Assembly**
- **At Sea Transfer**
- **Joint Sustainment Hub**

# Prepositioning Program - Norway

- **Formerly called Norway air-landed MEB (NALMEB)**
- **Recent equipment usage includes OIF, OEF, HA in Georgia and USMC exercises and training**
- **Currently being reorganized to support increased flexibility and interoperability with MPF**
- **Current equipment deficiencies are planned for reset by 2013**
- **Positive “burden sharing” relationship with Norwegian Government**

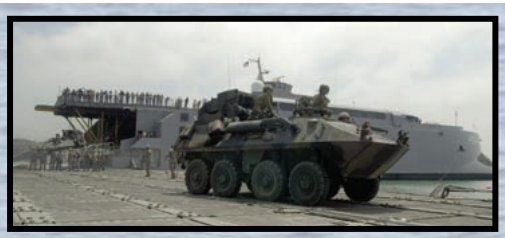
# MEU Augmentation Program (MAP)

- **Located in Kuwait**
- **Reduces strategic lift requirement to deploy the MEU's call-forward equipment from home station**
- **Originally developed out of CENTCOM theater specific requirements**
- **Designed to hold large, heavy theater specific equipment needed by MEUs operating in and around CENTCOM AOR like Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicles**
- **MAP will continue to evolve into a HQMC prepositioning program that supports Theater Security Cooperation activities**

# Joint Seabasing

## Enables Improved Global Force Laydown

***A National Capability … a Joint Capability …***



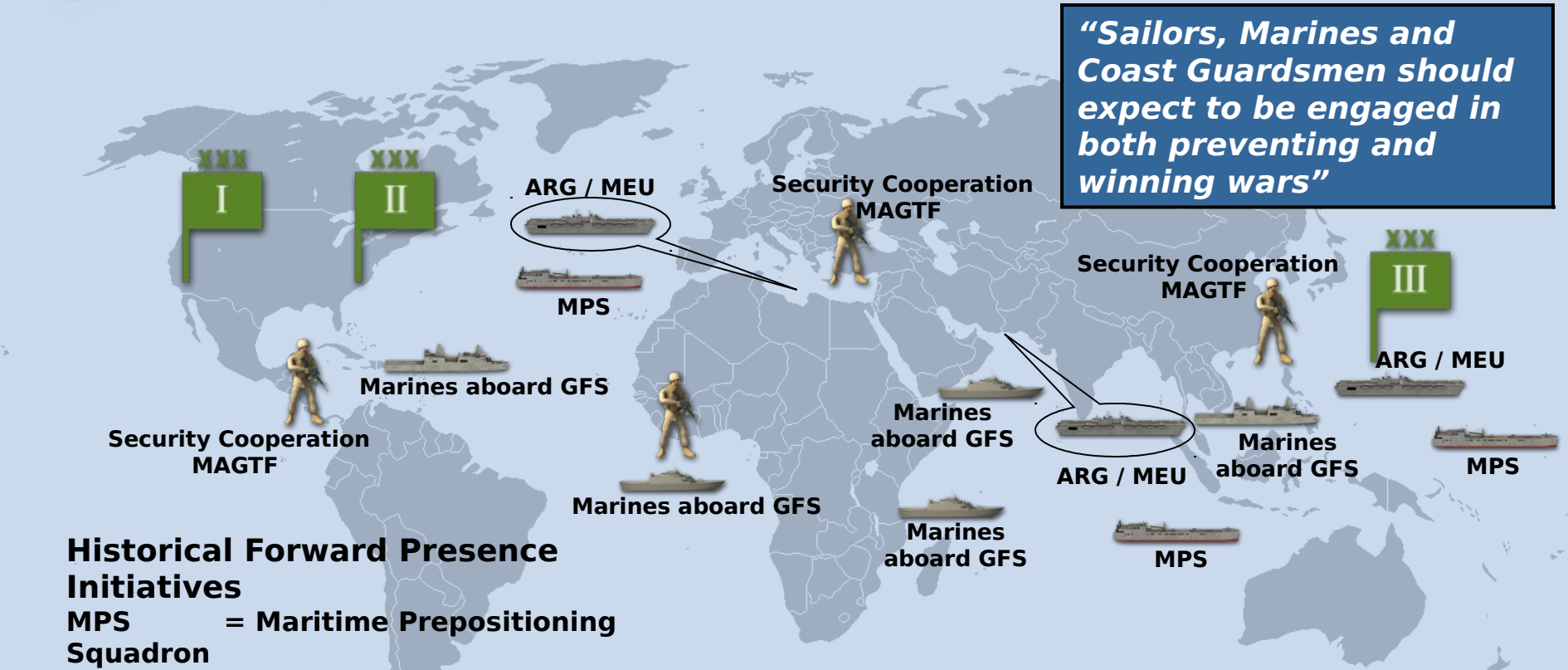
- Exploits sea as maneuver space 365 days year
- Enables Coalition / Joint Forces / Interage
- Maximizes the effects of forward presen
- Optimized footprint ashore
- Supports the full range of military opera

***…With Operational Flexibility***

- Close, Assemble, Employ, Sustain, Reconstitute – from the Sea
- Freedom of movement and inherent force protection at sea

# 2009 Naval Operations Concept

*"Sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen should expect to be engaged in both preventing and winning wars"*




**Historical Forward Presence Initiatives**

**MPS = Maritime Prepositioning Squadron**
**MEU = Marine Expeditionary Unit**
**ARG = Amphibious Ready Group**

**New Forward Presence Initiatives**

**GFS = Global Fleet Station**
**SCMAGTF = Security Cooperation MAGTF**

**Increasing Tailored Forward Presence & Mitigating Risk**

*"Naval forces can use the sea as both maneuver space and as a secure operating area — seabasing — to overcome challenges to access."*

# Nation's Force in Readiness

- **Individual Marines are our most potent weapons**
- **Forward deployed, persistently engaged forces prevent conflict, mitigate instability and prevail over adversaries**
- **The Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) as part of a Naval force provides our Nation's premier forcible entry force because of its sustainable power projection capability**
- **Multicapable MAGTFs and multi-mission platforms enable rapid and efficient decisive action in the littorals**
- **More than ever our Nation requires an expeditionary force in readiness — being expeditionary is an individual and institutional mindset**

***"…a versatile expeditionary force in readiness…" 82nd Congress, 1952***

# Back Ups

# Expeditionary Force in Readiness

## MAGTF: A Modular Force

- Expeditionary equals:
  - Combined arms
  - Light enough to get there
  - Self-sustaining
  - Strong enough to prevail
  - Strategically mobile
  - Integrated Naval logistics
- Expeditionary ethos has a training basis; example is The Basic School (TBS):
  - Six months of basic infantry platoon leader training
  - For ALL officers regardless of Military Occupational Specialty (MOS)

**MAGTF : Marine Air Ground Task Force**

# Notional SC MAGTF Employment

**12 Month SC Schedule**

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|---|---|
| Jan-Feb | Naval Infantry Staff |
| Mar-May | Training Mexico Partnership for the Americas |
| Jun-Jul | Counter-Guerilla Training Colombia |
| Jun-Dec | Global Fleet Station |
| Jul-Aug | Combined CAX |
| Brazil | |

5 Naval Infantry Staff Training 1

Global Fleet Station 4

SC MAGTF
Arty AAV
LCE
AH-1Z UH-1Y F-35B
Brazil
Combined CAX 5

LCE
DET
USN Riverine
Partnership for The Americas 2

SC MAGTF
LCE
NECC Det
Counter-Guerrilla Training 3

Long War

LCE
UNITAS 6

# Expeditionary Maneuver From the Sea

**Aggregate or Distribute Forces Widely… As**

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# Balanced Expeditionary Capability